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August 2008

**August 23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting**

**Spaghetti Warehouse  
Downtown Tulsa  
221 E. Brady  
Eat at 6:00, Meeting at 7:00**

**NEWS THIS MONTH:**

**Have You checked out our GCAHA web site lately?**

Michelle has updated and improved it even more. We get lots of compliments on it. Anytime you have questions about club events or happenings, the website is a great place to get answers and information.

**Remember to Volunteer for Tulsa State Fair contact Caroline 918-652-2613:**

(There is a list of jobs is later in the newsletter, get your favorite while the getting is good.)

**Volunteers for the US Nationals are needed – (There will be perks)...**

**Selling Programs** - Caroline (918 652 2613) or Vicky ([Fourty2000@yahoo.com](mailto:Fourty2000@yahoo.com) or 918 363 8468)

**Helping set up and taking down Trail Class** call Art Byrd (918 363 7747) or Caroline.

*Art will need help finishing trail class obstacles soon.*

*Donations are still needed for obstacles.*

**Trailer Decal's** Please contact Barb McCalip (918 245 2165) as soon as possible if you want to advertise on the Club Trailer. Decals need to be to Art by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> to be on the trailer by Fair time. Cost is \$50. a year per decal and \$25 for installation.

**The Stallion Service Auction**

Hello to everyone! The 2008 breeding season is closed, and the 2008-2010 stallion service auction will be here before we know it. I would like to thank everyone who participated in the 2007-2009 stallion service auction by donating breedings to your stallions, and invite you to participate by again donating a breeding. The stallion donation form is online at [gcaha.org](http://gcaha.org), or you can contact me directly either by e-mail at [beckya@pantherenergy.us](mailto:beckya@pantherenergy.us) or phone (918)446-8631/ (918)406-2667. Remember, you can donate any time up to the actual event, which will be held this year at the Tulsa State Fair on September 25-26, but the earlier you participate the more exposure and free advertising your stallion will receive.

Thanks, and hope to see you at the Fair! Becky Amason, GCAHA SSA Futurity Chairperson

## **GCAHA Meeting 7/12/08 at Ralston Arabians**

Prior to the meeting those in attendance were privileged to observe the first mounting of a two year old gelding at Ralston Training Center. Eddie Ralston with the assistance of Rose Raines gave the crowd a step by step instruction on horse breaking. As Mr. Ralston explained each step, Rose Raines worked with the gelding in the round pen. Under what might be described as difficult circumstances (his first time in the round pen and a large crowd of observers), the young horse performed with the same ease with which he was being handled. Anyone, who knows Eddie and Rose, realizes that it is their personalities and 'know how' which allow them to start a young horse with what appears to be such ease. Their knowledge and experience gave the crowd as well as the horse sense of calm that can't be achieved by most people. They were a pleasure to watch and Eddie's explanation was easy to hear and follow. Mr. Ralston would have made a great teacher of young people but he chose to teach horses instead. This was fortunate for his horse students because his instruction when followed has allowed those animals to have a brighter and more pleasant future as the good citizens he helped them become.

Vicky Carnahan opened the meeting / barbecue / pot luck in the Ralston's front yard. The food was delicious, the atmosphere fun and when the wind arrived the atmosphere was thankfully cooler. With the impending storm on the horizon, Mrs. Carnahan proceeded quickly through the meeting.

Caroline Lackey requested a quick sing in by all in attendance, who were as follows: Robert, Tammy, Cullen and Victoria Pickens, Beverly Cargile, Frances Loyd, Dee Larimore, Butch and Marlene Braught, Art and Dee Byrd, Rebecca and Robert Schaefer, Shelly Tersehluse, Candy Wilhelm, Debra Smith, Becky Amason, Kathy Pittman, Michelle Schrimshaw, Peg Seger, Ann Morrison, David Sawyer, Sandra Byrd, Barb McCalip, Karen Doney, Larry Clapp, Joyce and David Garrett, Cicely Smith, Rose and Colby Raines, Boone Clemmons, Carla Cain Nixon, Laura Martin, Liz Diehm, Erica Hauck, Kelly Harmon, Conya LeGates, Sue Washburn, Bobbi simons, Crystal Thurman, Rachel Boyle, Breanne Hill, Jeff Lewis, Jan Lewis, Velma Boodt, and Caroline Lackey.

Art Byrd mentioned the Zinc Trail Ride planned for either the first week in September or the week before or after Nationals in October. Becky commented on the GCAHA Stallion Auction which will take place at the Tulsa State Fair.

GCAHA will be responsible for setting up and taking down the Trail Course at Nationals on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Our job should be completed by noon each day. There will be two teams of six to eight members and each team will do two days. One team got to practice at the May show this year and that will help with organization since they did the job in fifteen minutes. The use of our club trailer did help speed the process.

Vicky mentioned that we do need possible delegate and alternate names which we should vote on in August to fit into the AHA plan for delegate terms in office. That meeting will occur on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Spaghetti Warehouse in Tulsa. If you have not heard, we did add reining to the Tulsa Fair schedule. The meeting closed as the wind got stronger and everyone rushed out to beat the rain. Caroline Lackey, GCAHA Sec.

## ***STALL WALKING AND WEAVING ALL NIGHT LONG***

**Stall walking and horse weaving** are two vices that have long been the subject of horsemen's fears, both developing reputations that are perhaps harsher than either deserves. While it is true that walking and weaving are annoying habits to observe and they can create some health issues if allowed to persist indefinitely, they are also rather difficult habits to pick up and can be fairly easy to resolve.

Most horsemen are familiar with the term weaving whereas they may not be as familiar with stall walking, but both are actually two different faces of the same coin. Walkers will circle the length of the stall in a constant fashion, and the speed of the walk is directly reflective of horse's level of stress or anxiety. When a horse walks slowly he has a general dislike of his surroundings or circumstances, whereas if he circles the stall at a fast pace (defecating often as he does) he is extremely anxious about something.

When a horse weaves he is basically walking in place, swaying his front and neck from side to side repetitively. This usually takes place by the stall door where he can look through the grill. It is speculated by some experts that the swaying from side to side provides some visual stimulation to the horse as he watches the background change through the bars.

Many people believe that weaving is caused by boredom, but while this theory comes close to hitting the mark it does miss it slightly. Boredom itself hasn't been shown to cause weaving, but anxiety and high levels of stress have, particularly as they relate to two specific subjects:

- A general unhappiness with the atmosphere and/or lack of grazing.
- Isolation and a lack of companionship.

Stalls should provide a horse as much visual stimulation as possible, such as windows and a clear view of other horses (if any others share the same premises). In addition a horse that must be kept within a stall for a long period of time should receive plenty of hay throughout the day so that he does not become miserable with his circumstances.

The most common cause of stall walking and horse weaving comes with separation anxiety. Horses are herd animals and therefore they can become very unhappy if they are isolated from all forms of companionship. Studies have shown that surrounding a horse with others, even if each are in individual stalls, is usually enough to keep walking and weaving at bay. You will know your horse is having separation anxiety if he neighs as he circles or weaves; this neighing is a cry out to other horses.

Many horsemen are afraid that walking and weaving are contagious behaviors that can spread to other horses in the barn, but unlike cribbing, this is a vice that appears to have far more to do with a genetic disposition than a learned habit. The majority of horses will not weave, so the only time you really need to worry about exposing a weaver to other horses is if any of the others share the same genetics as the weaver. A colt might pick up the weaving habit from his mother due to being genetically predisposed to it.

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Compared to other horse vices, walking and weaving are generally less harmful to the horse. The repetitive weaving can create an unnatural wear in your stall floor and the horse's hooves, as well as place stress on the horse's joints. There is no guarantee that an ingrained habit can ever be broken, so it's possible that a long-time walker or weaver will find it difficult to drop the vice entirely. That being said, because walking and weaving are developed due to very specific causes, addressing those causes will make the habit far easier to cure than cribbing and other such problems.

Allowing a horse to eat more throughout the day as well as experience time in the pasture can cure a horse that is simple unhappy with his feed and surroundings. Imagine how you feel if you were trapped within a prison cell almost all day, every day. Such an environment is even more abnormal for horses than it is for us, so allowing them more freedom can go a long way.

As mentioned earlier, a lack of companionship is probably the most common cause for these vices, so if we can alleviate their separation anxiety we can often cure their weaving entirely. One way to do this is ensure the horse can see other horses in the stable at all times just by looking through a window. Although seemingly a small thing, studies have shown this to be incredibly effective.

If your horse is not located in a stable and therefore has no other horses to watch or communicate with, consider purchasing another type of animal to keep him company. An old trick for racehorses is to purchase goats that hang out with the horse in his stall...and it does work!

Finally, if other live forms of companionship just aren't in the cards you can consider purchasing a mirror and hanging it inside the horses' stall. The mirror must not be created from glass since that can create a hazard for the horse, but there are plastic mirrors that are specifically made for weavers - ones incorporating the right size and safety standards for horses. A mirror too small isn't enough, whereas a mirror too large can actually be intimidating. Ask your vet or other experts for advice on where you might be able to obtain these mirrors locally.

As odd as it may sound, these mirrors have been shown to be very effective against weaving; the horse gains some type of reassurance just being able to see its reflection since it appears another horse is nearby.

None of the above techniques can guarantee a long-term walker or weaver will be broken of the habit, but they do provide a very strong chance of kicking it once and for all.

## **YOUR SOURCE FOR EQUINE PROTECTION AND FARM AND RANCH INSURANCE**

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**SAVE GAS - RIDE A HORSE!**

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Alright folks, step right up! You don't want to pay \$4.69 for gas, no problem, I have the perfect vehicle for you. Needs no gas, no oil, or even a battery, just a little grass and water will do these animals fine.

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3. The Draft - Calling all soccer moms. This big guy can carry the whole team, their gear and snacks. Just like the big machines, this guy will require more fuel, and his shoes will be more expensive than the compact model.

4. The Western Pleasure - The right car for the high end white collar workers. This animal works harder and requires more special knowledge so only the best can figure this out. Be sure to take your cell phone. You won't be stuck in traffic, you just won't be getting anywhere fast.

5. The Parelli - Salesmen, stay at home moms, and high school kids will all enjoy this dream. You can load him down with flapping Wal-mart bags, ask him to walk in places a horse won't fit, and you can dance with him as you listen to the latest tunes.

6. The Ranch - The most dependable animal available. He will go where ever you ask him to, at whatever speed is appropriate. You can tie him to the stop sign and he will be there when you get back. Best of all, this model has been specially engineered to be able to go without water for days and stay fat and slick by eating sagebrush and dead prairie grass.

Of course all models are available in base colors (sorrel, bay, black). Special order colors are available (dun, gray, palomino) and for an additional fee, custom paint jobs are also available (overo, tobiano, blanket, leopard).

No horse is sold with a warranty, however maintenance plans are available in the event brakes, steering, or accelerator fail. Author Unknown contributed by Candy S. Wilhelm

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**SAFETY MESSAGE FROM THE FLYING G RANCH - PUT YOUR CAR KEYS BESIDE YOUR BED AT NIGHT !**

Tell your spouse, your children, your neighbors, your parents, your Doctors Office, the check out Girl at the market, everyone you run across.

Put your car keys beside your bed at night. If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies.

This tip came from a neighborhood watch coordinator. Next time you come home for the night and you start to put your keys away, think of this: It's a security alarm system that you probably already have and requires no installation. Test it. It will go off from most everywhere inside your house and will keep honking until your battery runs down or until you reset it with the button on the key fob chain. It works if you park in your driveway or garage. If your car alarm goes off when someone is trying to break in your house, odds are the burglar rapist won't stick around...after a few seconds all the neighbors will be looking out their windows to see who is out there and sure enough the criminal won't want that.

And remember to carry your keys while walking to your car in a parking lot. The alarm can work the same way there.... This is something that should really be shared with everyone. Maybe it could save a life or a sexual abuse crime. Would also be useful for any emergency, such as a heart attack, where you can't reach a phone. My Mom has suggested to my Dad that he carry his car keys with him in case he falls outside and she doesn't hear him. He can activate the car alarm and then she'll know there's a problem.

## GCAHA CLASSIFIEDS

As are free to members and \$5.00 to nonmembers. Ads will be edited if over 50 words per horse. Ads must be emailed to [Fourty2000@yahoo.com](mailto:Fourty2000@yahoo.com) or mailed to 22627 W. Coyote Trail, Sand Springs, OK 74063 by the 15th of the month in order to be included in the next months newsletter. Flyers are \$20. You supply 150.

**FOR SALE:** 2002 Purebred grey gelding GA Sang Reyal (Indian Ferzon x KF Targa). Greenbroke, very gentle. Huge eyes, smooth body; \$1200. 2004 Purebred grey mare AMA Treasures Elessar (FS Treasure Bey [Padrons Psyche x Islamae Bey (Bey Shah)] x KF Targa). Professionally halter trained as weanling. Tall leggy, dished face. Groundwork, not broke to ride. Show career or broodmare; \$1200. 2005 black-grey gelding, Echilles AMA (Electric LC x KF Targa). 15 hds, lovely, floaty trot, & "look at me" attitude. \$600 obo. I need to move these horses. I have had knee surgery and am not as able as I'd like to be. Also ADDBA reg solid white American Staffordshire Terriers (pit bull) puppies. Will be 60-75 lbs and muscular. \$300 for males, \$500 for females. Parents on premises. Becky at (918)446-8631 or (918)406-2667, [beckya@pantherenergy.us](mailto:beckya@pantherenergy.us). (8/08)

**FREE:** Companion horse available, free to right home. Beautiful older Arabian mare, approximately 17 years young. Sound, gentle and quiet, but is blind in one eye. Great leadline horse for kids with adult supervision. Friendly and loves attention. My husband has trail ridden her, but would prefer to see her go to a retirement situation. UTD on vaccinations, coggins and dental care. Easy keeper, no health issues. No papers/NOT offered as a broodmare. Tahlequah. LeeAnn 918-457-3895 or [oscar@intellex.com](mailto:oscar@intellex.com) (8/08)

**FREE** - Arabian Times Magazine, all monthly copies from 1998 to 2003. All in good shape, excellent reading material. First come first serve. Contact Dee Byrd at 918-363-7747 ( 8/08)

**FREE:** Young House or barn cats & kittens 918 363 7345 or 363 8468 for pictures.(7/08)

**FOR SALE:** Beautiful bay / white 3 yr old pinto mare, double registered by GT Integra, World Champion at Pinto World, 90 days professional training. Shown Sport Horse with good scores. \$3,500.00, and Purebred Arab gelding, 4 yr old was started working cow horse and has worked hunter/sporthorse. \$2,500.00 or OBO - 918 363 8468 (8/08)

**FOR SALE:** 2 yr old BLACK Half Arab gelding one sock /a large star. LA Prince Ebony. tall. good natured. (Raffon, Fadjur, Raffles breeding). loads, leads, etc.\$1700 OBO. CS Serenity, Half Arab Pinto mare bred for 09 foal . \$4,200 OBO. BlackWind Hathor, purebred BLACK mare, 10, always has fillies.Private treaty. Majestik Valentine , Purebred 5yr old grey mare, by GT Integra.in foal to AK Sheerecho, stg Egyptian. \$6,500 or best offer. Labzara Arabians & Riding School (918) 855-9676 or [Labzara@valornet.com](mailto:Labzara@valornet.com) (7/08)

**FOR SALE** Gorgeous, tall, leggy bay/white tobiano pinto mare, double registered Pinto/Half Arab.. Started in driving and under saddle. Great family horse or show prospect. 16+ hh and still growing. Super nice filly, she just got taller than I feel comfortable riding. Sweepstakes nominated and shown halter.. Would do well in many things including sporthorse. Possible trade for shorter western mare. \$3500 Also yearling purebred colt out of the same dam \$650.00 and a full brother ( 4 yr old) pinto 16+ hh sweepstakes, \$1000. 580-658-3140 or [sonataarabians@duracom.net](mailto:sonataarabians@duracom.net) (7/08)

**FOR SALE:** 4-yr old ½ Arab sweepstakes gelding. Bay/white pinto, over 16 hds. Reserve Champion at Regional, twice world Champion at Pinto World, and numerous other wins in halter. Grandson of Mamage. Prospective hunter/jumper. Asking \$2,500.00. Also 7 yr old ½ Arab sweepstakes mare broke to ride but needs some miles. Great endurance prospect, working cowhorse or cutting horse. Never tires. Asking \$1,000.00 For info call Harolynne Marshall 918-865-2591.(6/08)

**FOR SALE.** Outstanding Black Half/Arab mare Kaluhas Blackwind( Blackwind Jafar). Multi Champion Halter , two top five regional 8 wins and two champion sport horse. Kaluha breeds easy and foaled this year with no problems at all. Nice big bay filly. I regret this, she has been an amazing horse. great Mother to. Green broke. easy keeper. call for info. Brooke, 918-504-2426 in Ramona OK. (6/08)

**HORSES FOR SALE:** 5 year old half arab mare, hunter, sport horse, and even trail. Has a good mind and great personality. 5 months professional training by Eddie and Cody Ralston. Prefer her to go to a good show home. Call for price, would like to sell. 3 year old Pure bred colt out of Duel Trouble and Khody ( Kemosabi daughter) he's bay, great personality, very athletic 500.00, and yearling gelding ( Chestnut) , very athletic, good personality, loads, shown in halter at GCAHA futurity, buy in futurity and did well . He was a reserve champion in both classes. Call Barb at 918-245-6496 or 918-855-3239 (6/08)

**FOR SALE** Strawberry roan gelded yearling is by Charm ThymeSA and out of SFF Jadestonedoll grandsire is Pryme Tyme. He needs attention that I cannot give him now. I would like for him to go to a good home, I am asking 1000.00 or best offer. My number is 918 402-8873, work number 834-8700 7-4pm (6/08)

**MARES FOR SALE:** 1988 Exceladdinn daughter IFT Color Me Toocool for Mar 2009. X Celabration chestnut,15 hands,nice head, neck,lots of substance. \$1200; 2004 Khiowa (Khemosabi x My Satin Doll by Muslin) daughter,chestnut,14.2 hands,ready to train or breed. \$800, negotiable. 2007 bay sweepstakes filly,on the small side,beautiful head,neck,english type trot. By up and coming young country pleasure stallion, Hot Tabasko. \$500 negotiable. For info, Rebecca at 479-650-3671 or e-mail [khaibar@valuelinx.net](mailto:khaibar@valuelinx.net) (6/08)

**FOR SALE** CS Nadirah is a 7/8 Arabian/Pinto 2 yr. old filly with color and class. She has that "look at me" attitude, floating trot, solid body and 50/50 tobiano pattern. Registered with both AHA (#3A365205) and PtHA (#132702). If you are looking for a horse to show, she may be the one for you. UTD on shots, coggins, wolf teeth pulled. \$1000. OBO, possible trade considered for a well broke riding horse. Contact Candy at 918-446-3576 or [canwilhelm@firstam.com](mailto:canwilhelm@firstam.com) . (6/08)

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## CALENDAR

- Aug 16<sup>th</sup> Flying G Ranch Trail Ride, Dinner, & Swimming \$50.00/\$30.00 6 pm  
Call Arron : 918 245 2423
- Aug. 23rd GCAHA Meeting 7 pm Eat 6pm, Spaghetti Warehouse, Tulsa**  
**Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Tulsa State Fair / GCAHA SSA**
- Sept. 26, 27 & 28 Ride on the Wild Side, Prevent Blindness OK  
Okmulgee Charity Trail Riders, 918 756 1685, 857 1493 or 284 9827
- Oct 16-25<sup>th</sup> US Arabian Nationals, Tulsa, OK**
- Oct. ?, GCAHA Trail Ride & Barbeque, Zinc Ranch (To be announced)**
- Oct. 24-26 The Womens and Horses Expo. Sedalia, Missouri  
417-581-1155 or /www.WomenandHorsesExpo.com
- Oct. Several dates Second Annual Hooves for a Cure Charity Trail Rides:  
Visit our website at [www.hoovesforacure.com](http://www.hoovesforacure.com)
- Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> GCAHA Christmas Party & Meeting at the Cherokee Casino**

